

Dayton Latin Mass Community Newsletter

Month of St. Joseph

March, 2008

Traditional Tridentine Latin Mass



Place: Our Lady of the Rosary Church
Hart St. & Notre Dame Ave
Dayton, Oh 45404

Sundays: 8:45 am

Confessions before Mass: 8 to 8:40 AM

First Friday Devotions:

Confessions: 6:15 PM

Mass 7:00 PM, followed by
Benediction and Holy Hour:

For information call the church: 228-8802

Or: Fr. Mark Wojdelski:

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Attendance

2-1-08... First Friday	57
2-3-08...	192
2-10-08	178
2-17-08	178
2-24-08	202

First Friday

Choir Members

To provide quality music for the Mass we welcome new members for both the mixed voice choir and the men's Schola Cantorum Daytoniensis. The choir is open to everyone ages 14 and up. For more information contact our choir director, Lynn McCaw at: 937-879-5497

Prayers for Vocations

All parishioners are invited to join the Mothers Group in praying for vocations after the last Sunday Mass of each month. Prayers booklets are provided. This takes only a few minutes as we pray for all religious vocations but especially to those of the priesthood. Please join them in the pews in front of the Marian altar.

Sunday Coffee Hour

Coffee and donuts are served in the church basement after Mass on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. All are invited to join us for refreshments and a bit of friendly chat.

First Friday

Friday, March 7 is the First Friday of the month. Mass to make reparation to the Sacred Heart will begin at 7 pm.. Stations of the Cross will begin at 8 pm.

Stations of the Cross in Lent

There will be Stations of the Cross before Mass on the Sundays of Lent.

Fr. Wodelski will have Stations of the Cross followed by Benediction on the Fridays of Lent at 7 pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Church. If final arrangements for the chaplaincy have been made before the end of Lent and Father moves to Dayton, there will be Mass followed by Stations of the Cross on Fridays for the remainder of Lent

Palm Sunday--March 16--Mass 8:30

Because of the length of the services on Palm Sunday the Mass will start at 8:30 am. instead of 8:45am.

Traditional Good Friday Services

Fr Wojdelski will offer the traditional 1962 Rite Latin Good Friday Services at 7 pm at Our Lady of Rosary Church.

Easter Sunday

Traditional Latin Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary Church on Easter Sunday will be at 8: 45 am.

Update on a Chaplaincy

As you already know negotiations have been taking place between the Fraternity of St Peter and Bishop Pilarczyk to establish a chaplaincy for our Latin Mass Community with Fr. Wojdelski as our chaplain. If all goes well negotiations should be completed by the first week in March. Fr Wodelski will make an official announcement concerning the chaplaincy when the final arrangements have been made. Father will then be able to take up residence in this diocese. Please continue to pray that a favorable final agreement will be reached.

Email List-Correction

Members of our email list receive reminders of upcoming events, prayer requests, and other pertinent information. For those of you who tried to sign up for the email list last month Maria's address changed. If you like to join our email list contact Maria Hobbs at: maria.l.hobbs@gmail.com

Volunteers

*As members of the Latin Mass Community we should not lay back and say "I don't have time to be involved, **Let George do it.**" If all of us take that attitude, then there is no "George",*

nothing gets done and we all lose in the end. We have a responsibility to help when we can. Please take a look at the jobs that need to be filled and see if you can possibly help.

Ushers: There is still a need for additional ushers for Sunday Mass. If we had a total of 8 men who would volunteer to usher they would only have to usher one Sunday a month. See Chris Monnin in the back of church after Mass or call Chris at 937-339-8823

Host Families for Donut Sundays: additional families are needed to occasionally host the Sunday Coffee Hours on the 3rd Sunday of the month. If we had at least 4 families to help. Each family would only have to host the Coffee Hour every 3rd or 4th month. The more families that help the lighter the task. Grade school children love to help on such a project. For more information see Peggy Peyton at the donut table or call her at 937-297-1489.

Vocation Month

March is traditionally Vocation Month. Please make an extra effort to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life this month.

Feasts St. Joseph and Annunciation

The Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments has transferred the celebration of the Solemnity of St. Joseph to March 15, since the traditional date of observance--March 19--coincides with Wednesday of Holy Week.

The universal norms of the Liturgical year and Calendar stipulate that the celebrations of Holy Week, including Wednesday, have priority over any other celebration, feast day or solemnity. If the feast of St. Joseph had not been moved this year, it would have been completely omitted, as the week after is the Octave of Easter, which also trumps any other feast day or solemnity.

For this same reason, the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, which is normally observed on March 25, has been moved to March 31, the first Monday after the Easter Octave.

Talks on the Mass

RETURN GIFT

"The time was come of offering sacrifice." 3 Kings, 18 :19.

In Tasco, Mexico, there is a magnificent church built under the most usual circumstances. The story goes back two hundred years. A French miner by the name of Joseph le Borde was having one streak of bad luck after another. He could find no metal. One day in a rather downcast disposition he was on his way to Mexico City when the hoof of his mule sank into the mud and stuck there. Borde

dismounted to help the animal.

He examined the ground. There he discovered a vein of silver which brought him a fortune in a few years.

The accident revived his faith to such an extent that he resolved to build a church dedicated to San Sebastian and Santa Prisca. The saying became current among the natives: "God gives to Borde; Borde gives to God."

The saying briefly expresses the generous gratitude of the man who accidentally found silver enough to make a fortune.

1. We too have found a mine of merits and graces' and blessings in the Holy Mass. We too can say:

"God gives to us; we give to God."

This can be said, for example, of the bread and wine which are offered several times to the Almighty God gives us the wheat; we offer the wheat to God in the form of the bread to be used at Mass. The same for the wine. That is the spirit and meaning of the prayer we want to consider today.

There is a further and deeper comparison. God gave us His Divine Son on the cross and in the Eucharist. We, in turn, through the Mass give the Divine Son back to His heavenly Father. That is why we pray before the consecration:

"Which oblation do Thou, O God, vouchsafe in all things to make blessed, approved, ratified, reasonable, and acceptable, that it may become for us the Body and Blood of Thy most beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ."

2. As the priest concludes the prayer preceding this, he rejoins his hands, which have been extended over the offerings, and draws them to himself. While saying this prayer the priest repeatedly blessed the host and chalice with the sign of the cross. He makes three crosses over the host and chalice, and then one cross over the host alone and another over the chalice alone. The three crosses are made at the words "blessed," "approved," "ratified." As he says the word "Body" he makes the cross over the bread, and at the word "Blood" over the chalice. He then joins his hands and bows his head to the crucifix as he whispers the sacred Name with which the prayer ends.

3. This prayer expresses for the last time our frequently repeated desire, that God accept the offerings and that He change them by His almighty power into the Body and Blood of His Son. Christ is the perfect Gift.

God gave Christ to us; we give Christ to His Father. This prayer asks God to accept our Gift.

4. We ask the Almighty not only to accept our Gift but to bless It. To bless here means that God is to give these gifts the highest possible blessing, the consecration, whereby they become the Body and Blood of His Son.

5. We ask God to make it "approved." This can have various meanings. Here it means that the offering is made according to the institution and direction of Christ at the Last Supper.

6. "Ratified" means that the offering and consecration to follow shortly form a true and valid sacrifice, just because they are carried out in conformity with the will and command of Christ. With the sign of the cross we point, as it were, to the

two things essential for the consecration- the bread and wine.

7. Then we ask God to make our offering "reasonable." In the Old Testament the offerings were irrational, unthinking animals and things. Christ, our Offering, is rational. He has life and spirit and reason, nay, He is life itself and reason itself.

8. Then we ask God to "accept." To His heavenly Father Christ is dear and precious. He is indeed acceptable, the most acceptable, the only sacrifice truly acceptable. We want God to accept our sacrifice. And God wants to accept it. We put that into prayer .

9. We add the petition that the bread and wine may be changed into the Body and Blood "for us," that is, for our good, for our welfare of body and soul, for our spiritual advantage.

10. The signs of the cross have special meanings :

A. The five signs of the cross bring out the meaning of the text. they express and explain what the words say. They point out what we are offering to God. They call down the blessing, the supreme blessing of consecration upon the fruit of the grape and the fruit of the wheat. The sign of the cross reminds us that here is the same sacrifice as that of the cross.

B. The five signs of the cross also remind us of the five wounds of our Lord, inflicted when He first offered this sacrifice, the five wounds which are the glorious badges of His love for us.

Often, but especially during Mass, and very especially when we say this prayer, can we repeat the thought and words of that French miner down in Mexico who accidentally discovered the mine that made him rich.

Here is our spiritual mine--the Mass. God has given it to us. We want to return the Gift. Let us often say:

"God gives to us; we give to God."

Put your own name in that prayer :

"God gives to me.....; I.....give to God." Amen.

*Fr. Authur Tonne
September 1950*



He Went On

Jesus from His Childhood had the deadliest of enemies,

Yet, He Went On

Jesus was ignored and passed over for thirty years,

Yet, He Went On

Jesus had the very worst interpretations put upon his very kindest actions.

Yet, He Went On

Jesus had all His words warped twisted, falsely reported, magnified, minimized, made to mean the very opposite by men sent expressly to catch Him"

Yet, He Went On

Jesus had no support from those in authority, only suspicion, heckling, condemnation.

Yet, He Went On

Jesus was worn to death by labor, now by excessive loneliness, now by the pressure of the crowd.

Yet, He Went On

Jesus knew very little gratitude,

Yet, He Went On

Jesus had none to share His burden, none with whom He could talk,

Yet, He Went On

Jesus was slighted, even laughed to scorn, even when He gave His very best,

Yet, He Went On

Jesus had sententious and wise friends to tell what mistakes He made and what He ought to do and how to do it.

Yet, He Went On

Jesus was deserted by everyone, even His best friends, who were scandalized at Him, disappointed in Him,

Yet, He Went On

Jesus was betrayed by one He most trusted, betrayed for a paltry price, betrayed with kiss, betrayed to a rabble of ruffians,

Yet, He Went On

Jesus was denied by one on whom He most relied,

Yet, He Went On

Jesus was hanged as a common malefactor,

Yet, He Went On

Jesus endured the sense of utter desertion, even by God His Father, it seemed,

Yet, He Went On

Jesus was never without those who hated Him, really vindictively hated Him, who plotted against Him, maligned Him behind His back, did all they could to ruin Him and in the end He knew they would succeed,

Yet, He Went On

Jesus saved others; Himself He would not save,

Yet, He Went On

Jesus is passed over and condemned by generation after generation,

Yet, HE GOES ON!



The Painter and The Child

Centuries ago a great artist was engaged to paint a mural for the cathedral in a Sicilian town. The subject was the life of Christ. For many years the artist labored diligently, and finally the painting was finished except for the two most important figures: the Christ Child and Judas Iscariot. He searched far and wide for suitable models.

One day while walking in the city he came upon some children playing in the street. Among them was a 12-year-old boy whose face stirred the painter's heart. The artist took the

child home with him, and day after day the boy sat patiently until the face of the Christ Child was finished. But the painter still had found no model for the portrait of Judas.

The story of the unfinished masterpiece spread afar, and many men, fancying themselves of wicked countenance, offered to pose for Judas. But in vain the old painter looked for Judas, as he envisioned him--a man warped by life, enfeebled by surrender to greed and lust.

Then one afternoon as he sat in a tavern, a gaunt and tattered figure staggered across the threshold. "Wine, wine," he begged. The startled painter looked into a face that seemed to bear the marks of every sin of mankind. Greatly excited, the old painter said, "Come with me, and I will give you wine."

For many days the painter worked feverishly to complete his masterpiece. As the work went on, a change came over the model. A strange tension replaced the stuporous languor, and his bloodshot eyes were fixed with horror on the painted likeness of himself.

One day, perceiving his subject's agitation, the painter paused in his work. "My son," he said. "what troubles you so?"

The man buried his face in his hands, sobbing. After a long moment he lifted pleading eyes to the old painter's face. "Do you not then remember me? Years ago I was your model for the Christ Child."

Hugh B. Brown



The Day of Triumph

The Resurrection of Our Lord is the great day of joy and triumph in the Catholic Church. The stamp of approval, the seal of truth is put on the Church and its teachings on Easter.

Christ died to establish the Church and arose from the dead to guarantee its life to the end of time. Our redemption is assured and our salvation will be, if we use the means laid down for our salvation in the Church of the Risen Lord.

Easter should be a day of thanksgiving for every Catholic. When we see the efforts of so many out of the Church, groping in the dark for the truth and trying out one religious establishment and then another, having no certainty of belief, no definite assurance of redemption and just a sentimental hope of salvation, we ought to thank the good Lord for the solidity of the truth that is laid down in the Catholic Church and for the certainty it guarantees.

We have the truth; all we must do is live that truth; apply it to our daily lives as Mother Church writes out the prescriptions. If we are true to her we shall rise with Christ in glory; if we are not we shall indeed rise, but it may not be-in glory.

Fr Forest

A Good Story With A Moral

A story is told of a man who once asked an Eastern king if he could tell him how to avoid temptation. The king told, the man to take a vessel brimful of oil and to carry it through the streets of the city without spilling one drop. "If one drop is spilled," said the king, "your head shall be cutoff," and he ordered the two executioners to walk behind the man and carry out his orders. There happened to be a fair going on, in the town and the streets were crowded with people. However, the man was very careful and returned to the king without having spilled one drop of the oil. "Did you see anybody while you were walking through the street?" "No sir," said the man. "I was thinking only of the oil. I noticed nothing else." "Then," said the king, "you notice to avoid temptation fix your mind as firmly on God as you fixed it on the vessel of oil. You will not then be in sin"



**Pray for Our Holy Mother Church.
Pray for the Holy Father.
Prayer our Beloved Bishop & Pastor.
Pray for Priests.
Pray for Vocations to the Priesthood.
Pray for our Latin Mass Community**

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